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SUBJECT: Call for Applications: NASA Administrator's Fellowship Program
Applications Due: January 30, 2004

We are pleased to announce the 2004 NASA Administrator's Fellowship Program (NAFP) Award Competition. Designed to enhance the professional development of NASA employees in the Mathematics, Science, Engineering, and Technology faculty of Minority Serving Institutions (MSI's), the program seeks to increase the ability of the participating MSI's to respond to NASA's overall research and development mission. In order to meet these objectives, NAFP selects up to six fellows from among NASA Career Employees.

The fellowship provides NASA career employees an opportunity to contribute their expertise to historically black colleges and universities, Hispanic serving institutions and tribal colleges, as teachers and/or researchers for one academic year (9 months). The next 9 to 13 months will be spent on developmental assignments at NASA Headquarters, NASA Centers, and other appropriate organizations. The total length of the program for NASA employees is 18-22 months.

Through their experiences at the universities and in other developmental assignments, NASA employee fellows will gain valuable insights to help guide future NASA initiatives. This interaction of ideas and experiences will enable NASA to expand its working relationships and gain an understanding of how best to communicate and disseminate information on its emerging science and technologies to the various minority-serving institutions. By participating in the exchange of developmental activities, NASA employees will also enhance their own technical, research, and management skills to assist NASA in meeting its future science and technology goals.

Applicants must be full-time career employees of NASA at the GS-13 level or above. Candidates who have a master's degree or higher in their field are preferred. They must be willing to relocate (with family if necessary) to the site where they choose to be assigned. NASA employees must sign a service agreement stipulating that they intend to return to their home institution for at least 3 years following the fellowship tenure. During the fellowship period, their NASA salary and benefits are continued and their status as NASA employees retained, pending return at the end of the fellowship. All relocation and other travel expenses associated with the fellowship will be provided.

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There is an Open House scheduled for Wednesday, December 3, 2003, from 11:30am – 1:00pm in Building 1, Room E100E where interested individuals can get information about NAFP.

If you have any questions or would like more details on the program, please contact Wanda David, Equal Employment Opportunity Program Office (EOPO), Code 120, at X6-1091.

Applications are only available by request on-line at: http://www.uncfsp.org/nasa/nafp/registration.asp

Completed applications must be submitted by January 30, 2004, to the attention of Kathy Dinsmore, Code 111. The deadline for submission of applications cannot be extended beyond this date. A GSFC panel will review all applications and recommend to the Center Director those to submit to the Special Programs Corporation of the United Negro College Fund for final selections.

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